

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for controlling a cursor in a computer comprising the following steps:

providing a cursor control apparatus⁽¹²⁾ for receiving user input and providing signals

5 indicative of the user input; (40)

providing a ~~circuit~~⁽¹⁴⁾ for tactile feedback apparatus coupled with the cursor control

apparatus; and (43)

suppressing the sensing of cursor control during the activation of the tactile feedback

apparatus. (Clipped spring force 11, 12, 13, 17)

2. (currently amended) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 1 and further comprising the following step:

activating the tactile feedback apparatus in response to predefined user inputs from the cursor control apparatus. (47)

3. (original) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 2 and wherein the predefined user input is a selection indication. obvious

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4. (original) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 2 and wherein the predefined user input is placement of the cursor over an active area on a display device.

5 5. (currently amended) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 2 and wherein the tactile feedback apparatus is a piezo-electric device. *Barrell*

6. (original) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 5 and wherein the piezo-electric device is activated by an ac signal. *Barrell*

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7. (currently amended) A cursor control system comprising:

a cursor control apparatus for sensing user inputs and providing outputs corresponding to the user input;

a tactile feedback apparatus coupled to the cursor control apparatus for providing tactile

15 feedback to the user in response to a predefined user input;

a cursor suppression system for suppressing cursor control during tactile feedback

operation such that the sensing of user inputs is prevented during tactile feedback operation.

20 8. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the tactile feedback apparatus is a piezo-electric device coupled to the cursor control apparatus. *Barrell*

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9. (original) The cursor control system of claim 8 and wherein the piezo-electric device is activated by an ac signal. *ba*

5 10. (original) The cursor control system of claim 9 and wherein the ac signal is 300-400 hz.

11. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system filters out cursor inputs resulting from the tactile feedback operation.

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12. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system blocks cursor inputs during the tactile feedback operation.

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13. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system comprises an electronic circuit. *(L43)*

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14. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system comprises a set of machine readable instructions for performing the operation.

20 15. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the suppression system filters out spurious signals generated by the tactile feedback operation.

16. (currently amended) A method of controlling a cursor on a computer device,
comprising the steps of:

5 providing a cursor control device;

providing a tactile feedback mechanism utilizing a piezo-electric material coupled to the
cursor control device;

sensing a predefined condition from the cursor control device;

activating the tactile feedback mechanism in response to detecting the predefined

10 condition; and

disabling the cursor control device during the activation of the tactile feedback

mechanism such that the cursor control device does not sense the operation of the

tactile feedback mechanism.

15 17. (new) The method of controlling a cursor according to claim 16, wherein the tactile
feedback mechanism includes a driver circuit and a suppression circuit

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